

## MILFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes of Meeting of February 10, 2011

### **Present:**

Audrey Fraizer – Vice Chair  
Kim Rimalover, Andy Hughes, Andy Seale, Hub Seward, Wayne Hardy - Full Members  
Chris Costantino, Becky Lorette - Alternate Members  
Fred Elkind - Conservation Coordinator

### **Excused:**

Diane Fitzpatrick, Rodney Dellafelice

The public meeting of the Milford Conservation Commission was called to order by Audrey Fraizer at 7:05PM

### **MINUTES:**

**Approval of Minutes:** Audrey called for the approval of the minutes. Chris moved that the minutes of the January 13, 2010 meeting be accepted as presented. Andy S. seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously accepted as presented.

### **Unfinished Business:**

**1. Southern NH Trails and Outdoor Expo.** - Fred provided an update of the status of the Expo. Approximately 1/3 of the available booths have been committed. Normandeau Associates, Goodale's Bike Shop, Hampshire Hills, and the Cabinet Press are presently the sponsors/partners of the Expo. Fred summarized the list of exhibitors that have committed thus far and mentioned some that should be committing soon. He identified the need for more exhibitors, food vendors, and points of interest. There was lengthy discussion amongst the Commissioners. Audrey highlighted the need for additional effort on the part of the Commissioners in working towards rounding out the list of exhibitors and that all should plan on being available on April 9 to help at the Expo.

**2. H2O Waste Disposal - Map 8, Lot 38** – A revised plan was presented. Fred explained that, for the most part, stormwater was now going to be infiltrated on site. This will protect the adjacent wetlands and pond from runoff-related contamination. The plan appears to be effective and the cost was acceptable to the owner. The Planning Board will be considering the plan at its next meeting. There were no issues that required action on the part of the Conservation Commission but any concerns could be brought to the Planning Board. No other concerns were identified by the Commission.

Discussion turned to training for the Commission regarding stormwater modeling and decisions. Fred will prepare a training program. If found to be of general value, the program may be presented again for the public.

**3. February Hike** – Audrey stated that the February Hike needs a leader. Chris and Kim agreed to lead the hike. Chris and Diane will work on notifications for the hike.

**New Business:**

**1. Conservation Commission Membership** – Several members’ appointments will run out on March 31, 2011. Following discussions, the Commission voted to recommend the following to the Board of Selectmen:

- Wayne Hardy – To be appointed as an alternate
- Andy Seale – To be reappointed for another term
- Kim Rimalover – To be reappointed for another term
- Becky Lorette – To be appointed as a full member.

**2. West Elm Corridor Overlay District** – A joint meeting of the Planning Board and several other boards and commissions will be held on February 22 to discuss the district. Chris provided a history of the proposed district. Its purpose is to provide recommended standards for commercial development in the district. Including in these standards would be architectural recommendations. The standards will assist the district to develop or redevelop in an architecturally preferred fashion. The district had been presented to the public and commercial interests in 2010. The February meeting provides the opportunity to the boards and commissions to become involved.

**3. Accept \$477.31 from the Holland Farms Community Supported Organization** - Chris updated the Commission on the status of the organization. The need for the organization no longer exists; so the organization has filed for dissolution. The HBCSFO voted to donate the remainder of its funds to the Conservation Commission.

Hub. moved and Kim seconded the request for the Board of Selectmen to accept, on behalf of the Conservation Commission, the \$477.31 from the Holland Farms Community Supported Cooperative and to place the funds in the Rail Trail account. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Interdepartmental Reviews**

(See Unfinished Business - Item 2)

**Reports:**

**1. Conservation Commission Fundraising** - Chris discussed the application package she has been preparing for the New England Grassroots Environmental Fund (NEGEF). The Commission discussed the potential need and use for these very important funds in continuing the work that the trails volunteers have begun. Audrey requested a vote by the Commission. Andy H. moved that the Conservation Commission submit the application for funds to NEGEF. The motion was seconded by Hub. The vote was unanimous.

**2. Land Fund Warrant Article** – Audrey indicated that she and Hub had attended the Deliberative Session. Hub informed the Commission that he had explained the purpose of the Land Fund. The article was not amended and would move on to town vote.

**3. Stormwater Program** – Fred discussed the status of the program. The state is waiting for EPA to adopt revised regulations. Since NH is not a delegated state (not immediately responsible for the implementation) EPA adopts the regulations which will control Milford’s future program. This is anticipated for sometime this spring. The revised program will require wet weather sampling of outfalls. The Commission discussed the definition of “outfalls” and what the regulations will require for sampling and correction of problems, if any.

Fred also brought the Commission up to date on current activities. Work is continuing on the preparation/revision of Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans (SWPPP) and associated training for Milford facilities. Fred informed the Commission that three training videos had been purchased. One of the video was germane to the construction-related stormwater issues that the Commission is very concerned about. The commissioners present requested that the video be presented at an up-coming meeting.

**Announcements:**

None

**Communications:**

None

There being no other business to come before the Conservation Commission, Audrey adjourned the meeting at 8:50 pm.

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Diane Fitzpatrick

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Hub Seward

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Chris Costantino

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